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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of May 25, 2005, Applicants hereby re-submit the amendment filed on November 8, 2004, wherein each claim has been provided with the proper status identifier. Applicants respectfully request that the amends submitted herein be entered as follows, and respectfully request consideration of the remarks below. Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.